

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2003, claims 1, 2, 10, 12, 29, 30, 32-35, 38, 44-46, 48-56, 59-61, 63, 65, 67 and 68 have been amended. Claims 1-12, 29, 30, 32-36, 38-46, 48-65, 67, 68 and 70 are now active in this application, of which claims 1, 29, 34, 38, 46, 50, 59 and 64 are independent. The Office Action indicates that claims 1-12, 38-45, 64, 65 and 67-70 have been allowed.

Based on the above Amendments and the following Remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the outstanding objections and rejections and they be withdrawn.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

In the Office Action, claims 29, 30, 32-36, 46, 48 and 49 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In this response, independent claims 29, 34 and 46 have been amended to clarify the omitted steps and structural relationships therein.

Amended claim 29 recites "forming color filters formed of a photosensitive material and covering the data wire; *forming a passivation layer covering the color filters*; forming a first contact hole extending to the drain electrode via the passivation layer and the color filters".

Similarly, amended claim 34 recites "forming color filters, ..., *forming a passivation layer covering the color filters*, ..., forming a first contact hole extending to the drain electrode via the passivation layer and color filters; ...". It is believed that amended claims 29 and 34 show all the essential steps.

Amended claim 46 recites "a gate wire formed on an insulating film and comprising: a gate line; and a gate electrode connected to the gate line". It is believed that amended claim 46 describes essential structural cooperative relationship of elements.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection over claims 29, 30, 32-36, 46, 48 and 49 be withdrawn.

Other Matters

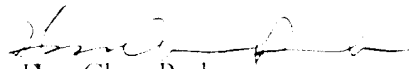
In this response, claims 1, 2, 10, 12, 29, 30, 32-35, 38, 44-46, 48-56, 59-61, 63, 65, 67 and 68 has been amended for better wording and for correcting informalities therein.

CONCLUSION

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, claims 1-12, 29, 30, 32-36, 38-46, 48-65, 67, 68 and 70 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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